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AFI 51-903, 1 Feb 98, is supplemented as follows:

This supplement establishes procedures for obtaining approval to conduct protest activities or distribute literature controlled under AFI 51-903.

- 2.4. (Added) Various locations within the United States Air Force Academy are considered open forums during visitor hours. These locations are those where the Academy encourages visitors to be present and imposes no restrictions on their entrance. Traditional examples include the area immediately surrounding the Cadet Chapel, the area surrounding Falcon Stadium and other athletic facilities before and during sporting events open to the public, and the B-52 static display. Individuals wishing to distribute unofficial printed or written matter at these locations must first receive permission from the Commander, 10th Air Base Wing (10 ABW/CC), as described in paragraph 2.6. (Added) Requests to distribute literature in these locations will generally be considered without regard to the content of the expected speech. The Commander may make time, place, and manner restrictions in granting permission to conduct these activities; in doing so, he will balance the needs of maintaining normal operations of Academy personnel against the requestor's free speech interest.
- 2.5. (Added) Military personnel and civilians wishing to distribute unofficial printed or written matter at any location on the USAF Academy that is not an open forum (as described in paragraph 2.4. (Added)) must first get permission from 10 ABW/CC, by applying as described in paragraph 2.6. (Added) In considering these requests, the Commander may consider the content of the proposed activity. Activities that pose a clear danger to the loyalty, discipline, or morale of members of the Armed Forces or interfere with accomplishing the military mission will not be allowed.
- 2.6. (Added) Submit the request, in writing, addressed to 10 ABW/CC, through Public Affairs (HQ USAFA/PA), not less than 7 days prior to the planned date and include the following information, as applicable:
- 2.6.1. (Added) Two copies of the printed or written matter to be distributed.
- 2.6.2. (Added) Number of people participating.

- 2.6.3. (Added) Names and addresses of those participating.
- 2.6.4. (Added) Number of printed or written pieces to be distributed.
- 2.6.5. (Added) Time and place of the planned distribution.
- 2.7. (Added) If permission is granted, the Commander will state the location, date, and time activities are authorized, along with any particular limitations appropriate to the activity.
- 2.8. (Added) Appeals of any denials may be made to the Vice Superintendent, United States Air Force Academy (HQ USAFA/CV). Appeals should state the reason for the appeal; include copies of the original request, with attachments, and the denial letter should be submitted through HQ USAFA/PA.
- 2.9. (Added) Failure to comply with the requirements of this instruction may result in debarment from the Air Force Academy (civilians), or disciplinary action under the UCMJ (active duty members).
- 7.3. (Added) Demonstration activities at the USAF Academy are controlled by the same requirements as those set forth for the distribution of printed materials in paragraphs **2.4.** (Added) through **2.9.** (Added).
- 7.3.1. (Added) During times when the installation is closed to the public, the Park and Ride Lot, adjacent to the North Gate, will normally be used as a location for any protest activities. Individuals and organizations must ensure that their activities do not interfere with the safe and routine flow of traffic into the installation. Demonstrators must still receive permission from 10 ABW/CC prior to conducting activities in this location, which although outside the gate is still on Academy property and under Government control.

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